

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109-1784
TELEPHONE (617) 227-7400
FAX (617) 742-4214
www.lahive.com

JOHN A. LAHIVE, JR. (1928-1997) THOMAS V. SMURZYNSKI GIULIO A. DeCONTI, JR. ELIZABETH A. HANLEY AMY BAKER MANDRAGOURAS ANTHONY A. LAURENTANO KEVIN J. CANNING JANE É, REMILLARD DEBRA J. MILASINGIC, Ph.D. MEGAN E. WILLIAMS, Ph.D. WILLIAM A. SCOFIELD, JR. SIBLEY P. REPPERT JOHN D. LANZA DAVID R. BURNS JOHN S. CURRAN SEAN D. DETWEILER HATHAWAY P. RUSSELL * MARIA LACCOTRIPE ZACHARAKIS, Ph.D. DANIELLE L. HERRITT
EUHOON LEE **
MANEESH GULATI
CYNTHIA M. SOROOS
PETER W. DINI, Ph.D.
MICHAEL J. BASTIAN, Ph.D.
CHRISTOPHER J. McKENNA
VINCENT P. LOCCISANO
JAMES M. McKENZIE
CYNTHIA M. GILBERT
LEIGH J. MARTINSON
JILL R. GORNY

SENIOR COUNSEL JAMES E. COCKFIELD (1930-2005)

OF COUNSEL
JEREMIAH LYNCH
JEANNE M. DIGIORGIO
CYNTHIA L. KANIK, Ph.D.

PATENT AGENTS
JONATHAN M. SPARKS, Ph.D.
CRISTIN E. HOWLEY, Ph.D.
JILL ANN MELLO, Ph.D.
CHRISTOPHER E. DRABIK
JAMES H. VELEMA
JACOB G. WEINTRAUB
BRIAN C. TRINQUE, Ph.D.

TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS
CATHERINE M. BISHOP
DEBORAH L. NAGLE, Ph.D.
ANNE JACQUELINE WIZEMAN,
Ph.D.
CHRISTOPHER R. COWLES,
Ph.D.
W. ELANA WANG
MEAGHAN L. RICHMOND, Ph.D.

- Admitted in TX only
- ** Admitted in CT only

April 25, 2005

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Patent Application No.: 10/656,382

For: CONTROL SYSTEM FOR PLANT

Inventors: Hashimoto, Eiji, et al.

Filed: September 5, 2003 Our Ref. No.: APW-022

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for filing in the above-identified application the following:

- 1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 2. PTO Form SB/08;
- 3. Copies of references cited in PTO Form SB/08 (2); and
- 4. A Return Postcard.

No additional costs are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, please charge any necessary fees in connection with the enclosed statement to our Deposit Order Account No. 12-0080. For this purpose, a duplicate of this sheet is attached.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on:

Date

Anthony A. Laurentario Esq. Registration No. 38,220

Respectfully submitted,
LAHIVE & COCKFIELD, LLP

Anthony A. Larrentano, Esq. Registration No. 38,220

Attorney for Applicants



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Hashimoto, Eiji, et al.

Serial No.: 10/656,382

Filed: September 5, 2003

For: CONTROL SYSTEM FOR PLANT

Attorney Docket No.: APW-022

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Group Art Unit: 2121

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Certificate of First Class Mailing (37 CFR §1.8(a))

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on the date set forth below.

Date of Signature and of Mail Deposit

By:

Anthony A. Layrentano, Esq.

Reg. No. 38,220

Attorney for Applicants

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants and their Attorney are aware of the following additional publications, listed on the attached PTO Form SB/08, and in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97 hereby submit these publications for the Examiner's consideration. A copy of each cited publication is enclosed.

This statement is not to be interpreted as a representation that the cited publications are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information exists. Nor shall the citation of any publication herein be

construed *per se* as a representation that such publication is prior art. Moreover, the Applicants understand that the Examiner will make an independent evaluation of the cited publications.

Under 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(3), no additional costs are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this disclosure. If, however, a first Office Action on the merits issues in this application bearing a mailing date prior to the date of this Information Disclosure Statement, please charge the appropriate fee as required under 37 CFR §1.17(p) to our Deposit Order Account No. 12-0080.

Respectfully submitted,

LAHIVE & COCKFIELD, LLP

Anthony A. Laurentano, Esq. Registration No. 38,220

Attorney for Applicants

28 State Street Boston, MA 02109 (617) 227-7400

Date:

AAL/les Enclosures

PTO/SB/08a/b (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Complete if Known Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO Application Number 10/656,382 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Filing Date September 5, 2003 STATEMENT BY APPLICANT First Named Inventor Hashimoto, Eiji Art Unit 2121 (Use as many sheets as necessary) Examiner Name Not Yet Assigned 1 Attorney Docket Number **APW-022** Sheet 1 of

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶		
	B1	JP 63-116205	05-20-1988	Tokyo Shibaura Electric Co.		abst		
	B2	JP 2-37402	02-07-1990	Yamatake Honeywell Co. Ltd.		abst		

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²			

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Examiner Date	
Signature Consider	ed

Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.